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Dear Ed:

As I believe I explained at the last meeting of our Committee, I have been under some pressure from Mr. Lay of the National Security Council and others to draft a proposed intelligence directive to legalize the activities of O/KN. It has also been reported to me that there are advantages in securing the blessing of the Security Council for the Economic Intelligence Committee.

Accordingly, I have drafted the attached documents, consisting of (1) a proposed memorandum from the Director of Central Intelligence to the National Security Council (2) the draft of a suggested intelligence directive to be issued by NSC and (3) a draft of a letter to be sent by the NSC to other agencies interested in economic intelligence but not represented on the NSC. The document referred to in the attached material as Tab A, a memorandum from the Intelligence Advisory Committee, has been sent you under separate cover. I have tried to draw the directive in such a way as to leave maximum flexibility for all of us to work out at the working level how we will divide up the jobs. I am very anxious that we should not become diverted at this point from our central task of producing needed intelligence to a fruitless discussion of jurisdiction in the abstract.

Accordingly I am circulating this to you in advance of its being presented to the IAC in the hope that you will let me know if there is anything in it that you find objectionable. Since our time is short I would appreciate your giving me your reactions by the middle of the week. I will be glad to come and chat with you about it if you so desire.

Sincerely yours,

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